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**PRESS RELEASE**

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Paul J. McNulty, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, announced that Wilfred M. Dillard, 43 years old, of Lorton, Virginia, was sentenced today in United States District Court in Alexandria by Judge Leonie M. Brinkema to 24 months of imprisonment, \$288,965.38 restitution, and three years supervised release, stemming from his unauthorized use of a Department of Defense IMPAC charge card to make over \$288,000 in purchases of computer printers and accessories which he subsequently sold to an unwitting merchant. Dillard was a civilian employee of the U.S. Army who worked as a supply technician at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. Dillard pled guilty on November 6, 2003, to theft of government property.

From December 1997 through September 2002, Dillard used a Department of Defense IMPAC (International Merchants Purchase Agreement Card) charge card to make unauthorized purchases of computer printers and accessories. The computer printers were usually laser jet printers, which were sold to the United States for an average cost of \$1,200 per unit. Dillard took delivery of the printers and then sold them to a business which did not know that Dillard had stolen the computer equipment. Dillard sold at least 461 computer printers and accessories and received over \$288,000 as a result of this scheme.

This case is part of a continuing effort to prosecute IMPAC charge card fraud and abuse within the Department of Defense. The case was investigated by the United States Attorney's Office, United States Army Criminal Investigative Command and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Robert C. Erickson.